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For: MOLDABLE-FOAM MOLDINGS  
COMPOSED OF EXPANDABLE  
PELLETIZED FILLED POLYMER  
MATERIALS

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This Information Disclosure Statement accompanies the new patent application submitted herewith.

A copy of only those references listed below is attached:

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It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the listed references.

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